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## INFORMATION.

FOR SHANGHAI VIA AMOY.  
 King Cargo and Passengers at through rates  
 Ningpo, Chefoo, Newchwang, Tientsin,  
 Hankow, and Foochow to the Yangtze.  
 THE Company's Steamship.

"ATTENTION."  
 Mail Frigate, will be despatched on or about  
 11th instant.  
 For Freight or Passage, apply to  
 BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE, Agents,  
 Hongkong, 4th September, 1883. 1052

STEAM TO YOKOHAMA VIA NAGASAKI  
 AND HIOGO.  
 (Passing through the YAMATO SEA).  
 MIE F. & O. S. N. Co.'s Steamship

"ZAMBESI."  
 Will leave for the above place on SATURDAY,  
 15th September, at 12 (NOON) O'CLOCK.  
 E. L. WOODIN,  
 Acting Superintendant,  
 Hongkong, 3rd September, 1883.

STEAM TO SHANGHAI  
 MIE F. & O. S. N. Co.'s Steamship

"DEGAN."  
 Will leave for the above place about 24 hours  
 after her arrival with the next English mail.  
 E. L. WOODIN,  
 Acting Superintendant,  
 Hongkong, 4th September, 1883.

FOR LONDON VIA SUEZ CANAL.  
 THE Steamship

"GLENORCHY."  
 Captain Gadsby, will be despatched as above  
 on or about the 14th instant.

JARDINE, MATTHEWSON & Co.  
Hongkong, 3rd September, 1883. 1849

HONGKONG CRICKET CLUB.

THE ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING  
OF THE CLUB will be held in the PATRONS  
ROOMS on THURSDAY, the 30th September, at  
3.30 p.m. Business to receive the Report and  
accounts for last Season, to elect a Committee  
and Hon. Sec. for 1884, &c. The Directors name  
members to the Bales and other business that  
may come before the meeting. Gentlemen  
desirous of becoming members will please send  
their names together with those of their  
sponsors and accounts to the Hon. Sec. H. C. G. C.  
addressed to the Club.

W. D. ST. CROIX,  
Hon. Sec. 1883 &  
Hongkong, 28th August, 1883. 1847

THE ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING  
OF THE HONGKONG S. ANDREW'S  
CHURCH will be held in the City Hall on  
MONDAY, the 10th September, at 5.30 to  
receive the Report of the Committee and elect  
Officers for the ensuing year, and to decide upon  
the manner in which the National Celebration

By Order of the Committee,  
A. D. MACFARLANE,  
Hon. Sec.  
Hongkong, 2nd September, 1883. [1645]

**NOTICE.**

**T**HE Undersigned have REMOVED from  
this date their Office to No. 24, Praya  
Central, 1st Floor, Corner of Robinson Street,  
BREMIDIOS & Co.  
Hongkong, 1st September, 1883. [1643]

**CHINA FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY,  
LIMITED.**

**ADJUSTMENT OF BONUS FOR THE  
YEAR 1882.**

**S**HAREHOLDERS are hereby requested to  
send in to this Office List of their Con-  
tributions of Funds for the preceding Six  
Months last, in order that the proportion  
of Profit for that year to be paid as Bonus to  
Contributors may be arranged. Returns not  
sent in before the 30th. November next, will  
not be considered.

Orders or alterations will be allowed.  
By Order of the Directors,  
**J. A. B. COUGHTLIE,**  
Secretary.  
Hongkong, 1st September, 1883. [1632]



**TENDERS** will be received by the Under-  
signed up to 4 P.M. of 14th September,  
for the Performance of such minor Works and  
Repairs, and supply of such Building Materials  
as may be required, for Admiralty Lands and  
Buildings at Hongkong and Kowloon between  
15th September, 1883, and 31st March, 1886.  
The Contract to be based on the Royal Engineers  
Schedule of Prices.  
Further Information can be obtained from  
the Officer Superintending Admiralty Works,

The right to reject the lowest or any Tender is reserved.

**WILLIAM HYNES,**  
Acting Storekeeper.

H. M.'s Naval Yard,  
1st September, 1883. [1683]

**NOW READY.**

**66. CANTONESE MADE EASY.** A Book of simple sentences in the Cantonee Dialect with few and correct translations, and directions for the rendering of English Grammatical forms in Chinese and vice versa. — By J. DYER BAL.

Price.....\$3.00.  
"Illustrated Copies.....\$3.50.

Also, by the same AUTHOR.  
"Easy Standard Cantonese and the Hakka Dialect with a Vocabulary." Price \$1.

The above works on Sale at Messrs. KELLY & WALSH, W. BREEZE'S and LANE CRAWFORD & COY.,  
—HONGKONG, 1st September, 1883. [1684]

**PAYE RIVER DOCK COMPANY,  
LIMITED.**

**A**PPICATIONS FOR THE APPOINTMENT of a SUPERINTENDING ENGINEER will be received up to Noon on SATURDAY, 10th September, 1883.

Letters to be addressed to  
**H. L. SMITH,**

Penang, 26th August, 1883. 1821  
**HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI**  
**BANKING CORPORATION.**  
**NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.**  
**THE DIVIDEND** declared for the half-  
 year ending 30th June last, at the rate of  
**TWO POUNDS STERLING (2) per SHARE** of  
 £125, and **FIVE SHILLINGS (5) per SHARE**  
 of £62 5 paid upon the 25th inst. in full of  
**SHARES** of £62 5 paid upon the 25th inst. in full of  
**MONDAY** the 25th inst. at the Office of  
 the Corporation, where Shareholders are re-  
 quested to apply for Warrants.  
 By Order of the Court of Directors,  
J. JACKSON,  
Chief Manager.  
 Hongkong, 25th August, 1883. 1819  
**HONGKONG AND WHAMPOO**  
**COMPANY, LIMITED.**  
**NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.**  
**CONTRIBUTING SHAREHOLDERS** are re-  
 quested to send in a Statement of Bal-  
 ance Contributed during the Year ending  
 31st Decr 1883, prior to 15th Septem-

By Order of the Board of Directors,  
D. GILLIES,  
Secretary.  
Hongkong, 20th August, 1883. [157]



**LANE, CRAWFORD & Co.**  
have received the following new Goods.  
**WASHING SCARFS AND TIES.**  
**SILK HOSIERY.** Newest Patterns.  
**GENTLEMEN'S SHIRTS.** for Summer.  
**LAWN TENNIS SHIRTS AND HATS.**  
**FANCY'S FRENCH BOOTS & SHOES.**  
**CHRISTY'S FELT HATS.** New Shapes.  
**THE "OLIMAX" UMBRELLA.** (patented to wear well).

**THE "ACME" RAIN COAT.** (Vestibled and thoroughly Waterproof).  
**TRAVELLING TRUNKS.**  
**AIR-TIGHT UNIFORM CASES.**  
**PRICKLY HEAT SOAP.**  
**ASHANTIE HAMMOCKS.**  
**PERFUMERY** from the best London Makers.

**LANE, CRAWFORD & Co.**  
Hongkong, 15th August, 1893. [362]

**NOTICE.**

**A. S. WATSON & CO.**  
FAMILY AND DISPENSING CHEMISTS.

By Appointment to His Excellency the Governor and His Royal Highness the Duke of Edinburgh.

WHOLESALE AND RETAIL DRUGGISTS, PERFORMERS.

**PATENT MEDICINE VENDORS.**  
DRUGGIST'S BOTTLES, AND  
**ABRATED WATER MAKERS.**

**SHIPS' MEDICINE CHESTS REFITTED.**  
PASSENGER SHIPS SUPPLIED.

**NOTICE.**—To avoid delay in the execution of Orders it is particularly requested that all business communications be addressed to the Firm, A. S. WATSON & Co., or HONGKONG DISPENSARY. [23]

**NOTICES TO CORRESPONDENTS.**  
All letters for publication should be written on one side of the paper only.

Advertisements and Subscriptions which are not ordered for a fixed period will be continued until discontinued.

Orders for extra copies of the Daily Press should be sent before 11 a.m. on the day of publication. After that hour the supply is limited.

Communications on Editorial matters should be addressed to "The Editor," and those on business "The Manager," and not confidentially by name.

**BIRTHS.**  
On 2nd September, the wife of A. P. MacBryen, of a daughter.

On the 3rd Sept., at 110, Canton Road, the wife of H. L. Dwyer, of a son.

**The Daily Press.**  
HONGKONG, SEPTEMBER 4th, 1893.

A CORRESPONDENT sends to the Star in the East, a missionary paper published in Shanghai, a number of rumours circulating about the introduction of the telegraph.

We are told that the introduction of the telegraph in China is proof positive of the usurping power of the Foreign Devils, who have introduced the scheme in order to subvert all China to their control, and that *fung-tai* is now blown to the winds and the fate of the dynasty sealed. The system is said to be worked by magical arts and the use of "paper men," which is so displeasing to Heaven that many of the posts have been destroyed by the gods of thunder, "but the Foreign Devils, by their magical arts have seized the five gods of thunder and condemned them to wear the cage." There is much more in the same style. The correspondent who sends the rumours says:—"It will doubtless be difficult for some readers to reconcile these silly things with the keen-sighted, intelligent mind of a Chinaman—one who can strike a bargain with the keenest Yankee, or make a treaty with the nearest statesman. Yet, notwithstanding the intelligence of the Chinese mind, it is not to be expected that the inhabitants of an inland city like Shanghai—although it supplies lawyers for all the provinces of China—who have little acquaintance with foreigners, and much less with their wonderful appliances, should be able to see to understand the principles and working of the electric telegraph, just made for the first time to run by their doors. 'Man-man,' as they themselves say, and, alas! as they themselves act. So. The saying is true—'A Chinaman moves slowly, but surely.' The time is coming when these Chinamen will understand the electric telegraph and all its uses; and, as these people move in masses, they will present themselves in such square, compact bodies, rank and file, close and deep, at all the ports on the coast, and with such irresistible force as to push you all out of the market to the sea!" The last remark is puerile. The more Chinese advance, the more enlightened they become, the better it will be for foreigners as well as for themselves. Some of the local trade will be lost to foreigners, no doubt, but there will be a large extension of the foreign trade to supply the new wants which will be created and the luxuries for which a demand will spring up. It is folly to suppose that the introduction of the telegraph and railway into China will ring the death knell of foreign interests in the country. There can be no doubt that, as the correspondent says, "the time is coming when these Chinamen will understand the electric telegraph and all its uses, and the sooner that time arrives the better. In the meantime the introduction of the telegraph may, like many other good things, be retarded by some evils, the principal of which will most likely be the circulation of inflammatory rumours such as those referred to by the writer in the Star in the East. At the same time, it is important to consider what importance is to be attached to such rumours. Are they such as will take hold of the public mind and lead to overt acts of violence and hostility, or are they such as will be passed from mouth to mouth merely as idle words? Probably the talk as to the gods of thunder and the paper men may be looked at in the latter light, but when the rumours go on to state that "When the telegraph offices are opened many classes of people will be started. The playing of small craft on the rivers, the postmen and post-offices, all will greatly suffer; it will be hard to make money in those days, and myriads will be injured. Private affairs cannot now be hid. Foreigners will know all that is going on everywhere, as the paper men communicate

all to them," the matter becomes more serious. The telegraph, however, is an institution which cannot long remain without making its utility felt, and every day that passes must serve to diminish the opposition to it. There is, moreover, a growing class in China who take a great and increasing interest in foreign science, and who understand the bearing of foreign inventions. Although their number is at yet small these men cannot fail to exert a beneficial influence on their fellow-countrymen. In this respect it may be noted that not a few of the foreign missionaries are now paying considerable attention to the dissemination of scientific knowledge amongst the communities amidst whom they work; while they regard the teaching of religion as the main and ultimate aim of their work, they at the same time look upon the enlightenment of the natives as to the principles and facts of natural science as a first coming within the scope of their mission and as leading in itself to good results. Their labours in this direction, if carried on with intelligence and discrimination, are likely to lead to tangible and very valuable results and must command general sympathy and support.

The account of the farwell accorded to Sir Harry Parkes by the British and foreign residents in Japan on the 24th ultimo will be read with special interest by all British residents in China. The unanimity of feeling which seems to have prevailed, the profound cordiality of the terms of the address, and the strong sense of appreciation of the labours of the Minister, testify to popularity founded on deep respect for and admiration of the signal abilities, high character, and fearless conduct of Sir Harry Parkes, during a long sojourn in Japan. The occasion, and the expressions of regret at his departure of which Mr. Wilkx has eloquent and touching words, were more significant on account of the animus with which a few years ago a certain writer in Tokio endeavoured to prove Sir Harry to be the enemy of the Japanese and to discredit him generally. The attempts failed miserably as they deserved to do; and with fresh honours heaped upon him by an appreciative sovereign, the British Minister returned to Japan to confound his contemptible assailants and all vilifiers. Sir Harry Parkes is now on his way to take up his new appointment at Peking. His selection for the post has commanded universal approval among the British residents in China, who hope during his tenure of office to see their interests guarded more strictly, and Sir Harry's love of justice and fair play is so well known that the Chinese regard his advent to Peking without distrust. We feel confident that His Excellency will prove as impartial and fearless in China as he has shown himself in Japan. The Chinese officials will find in him a character they can esteem and respect. He will not hesitate to follow the course his duty indicates, whether it is in accord with the wishes of his countrymen or of the Chinese. His motto is, we take it—"Be just and fear not. With him a straightforward course will prove the most politic, and it will be well for the Ministers of the Taung-ti-Yan to understand this, and not accordingly. As the same time they should also remember that Sir Harry Parkes has, during his long career in the Far East, gained a thorough insight into the workings of the Chinese mind, and will not be easily imposed on by the evasions and excuses which form the usual stock-in-trade of Chinese officialdom. That his advent to the Legation at Peking may mark the commencement of a long period of cordial relations between Great Britain and China we sincerely trust will be the case.

His Excellency the Governor and the Hon. P. B. Johnston, among other persons, were on board the steamer *Peking*, which left here yesterday for Shanghai.

We are informed by the Agents (Messrs. Butterfield & Swire) that the O. S. S. Co's steamer *Andromeda*, from Liverpool, left Singapore for this port and Shanghai yesterday afternoon.

A correspondent writes to the Daily News from Ningpo that the reports of cholera at that port have, in his opinion, been exaggerated and that the epidemic has not the extent of the malady it is now rapidly passing.

A Telegram from a correspondent writes to the Mercury:—"We are in great distress in this city. Our only physician, Dr. Schofield, is ill, as is also Mr. Tenny. Dr. Pook, of Fooking-Po, is away on his relief, and we hope the worst is past."

A correspondent sends us the following respecting the capture of a New York steamer:—"Rocking the cobble 15 inches. Dr. Hale has proved that the Ark was of the burden of 42,413 tons, but that he was as large as the steamer, consequently she was carried away in a single day."

We have been favoured with the following telegram received from the Hon. Mr. Johnston, Secretary of the Department:—"A typhoon is raging to the E.S.E. of Manila and it will likely sweep over the island by to-morrow with its centre probably between Manila and Iloilo. It is impossible for the present to ascertain the exact direction which, however, to be N.W."

The Independent de Saigon, in its account of the capture of Hue and the signing of the treaty, says the negotiations were facilitated by the fact that the Count of Hue, after confidently recommending that the treaty be signed, was suddenly seized by the Count of Hue, who was then in the city. The Count of Hue was then seized by the Count of Hue, who was then in the city.

An accident occurred in one of the new houses being built on the site of the P. & O. office in Queen's-road Central yesterday. With contemporary Chinese headstones the workmen had been piling a quantity of bricks upon the first floor joists, and these, not being of a very substantial character, gave way under the weight. Two Chinamen working on the ground floor below were somewhat hurt, but we believe their injuries are not serious, as they refused to go into hospital.

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In the list of promotions in the last London Gazette it is noted that Major A. S. Murray, Staff Paymaster, Army Pay Department, to be Chief Paymaster with the honorary rank of Lieutenant-Colonel.

According to the Mercury, Peking is filled with the wildest rumours about the cholera. One report places the dead already as high as 18,000, but this is without doubt far beyond the real number, but that many deaths have occurred and that the disease is still raging, there is every reason to believe.

The new Chinese Steam Navigation Co. we made mention of some time ago will pay the Mercury's correspondence running their steamers after the Chinese New Year. The land now purchased on which to build the Company's premises was the property of the late Mr. Chu Xun, who was the first manager of the China Merchants S.N. Co. His young brother, Chu Xue-fen, now one of the directors of this new Company. The directors, we hear, are Wu Sing-an, Chu Xue-fen, Hsiao Hsiao, and Chu Xue-fen. The two military man, whose names we are unable to tell. We hear also that four river boats will be built by the Co. for the Company, and four coast steamers are ordered from England. The first of these, the *Shanghai*, will be the first of the new line, the celebrated millionaire, will take the management of the Company's business.

We reported yesterday that the Chinese Merchants' Company's steamers had been bringing down a number of Chinese troops from Shanghai. On further inquiry we find that the *Yu-fen* brought down 850, and the *Yehin* a somewhat smaller number. In addition to these, there will be more troops from Shanghai. We also learn from Shanghai papers that the Kiangnan Arsenal has lately been very busy engaged in preparing all kinds of munitions of war to send to Canton. A despatch boat, the *Shanghai*, is being loaded with torpedoes destined for the South.

We extract the following account from the *Y. C. Daily News*:—"A small Chinese firm has been started with the object of supplying native customers in the City as well as in the Settlement with pure water, purchased from the Shanghai Waterworks. The firm, which has the object of securing the favour of the authorities, the members of the firm sent round a present of a few sample-bottles of clear water to the British and foreign residents in the City. The firm, which has the object of securing the favour of the authorities, the members of the firm sent round a present of a few sample-bottles of clear water to the British and foreign residents in the City. The firm, which has the object of securing the favour of the authorities, the members of the firm sent round a present of a few sample-bottles of clear water to the British and foreign residents in the City."

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### STEAMERS EXPECTED.

The Union Line steamer *Selenmb* departs for Singapore on the 29th August, and is due here on the 4th September.

The O. S. S. Co.'s steamer *London*, left Singapore on the afternoon of the 31st August, and may be expected to arrive here on or about the 7th September.

The O. S. S. Co.'s steamer *Admiral*, left Liverpool, left Singapore on the afternoon of the 3rd, and is due here on the 9th.

The steamer *Naples* left Sydney on the 29th August, and is due here on or about the 10th September.

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The authorized List of Mail  
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twice each day in our Extra, which  
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A MAIL WITH COURSE  
For Straits Settlements—Per  
day, the 4th Sept., at 11.30 a.m.  
For Shanghai, for Kung-ching,  
4th September, at 3.30 P.M.  
For Swatow and Amoy—Per  
Kien, to-day, the 4th September, at  
for Semarang, Hong, and Yok  
Zambon, on Saturday the 15th Sept.

MAILS BY THE FRENCH  
The French Contract Packet  
will be despatched on THURSDAY  
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Europe, and places beyond, via  
Suez, Straits Settlements, Para-  
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The usual hours will be observed  
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**PACKET**  
The United States Packet  
**RIO DE JANEIRO** will be  
**THURSDAY**, the 18th September  
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**MAILS BY THE BRITISH**  
The British Contract Packet  
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**THE MASTERS.**

Persons who send Masters of the Post In Tins are requested to use flat or square boxes compatible to pack round tins snugly. It is believed that the tin more safely in flat tins, which are so much easier to be handled.

A box for the tin should be constructed of the same material as the tin. The tin should not have sharp corners.

Boxes of letters are sometimes sent That Office not sealed, thus it is exposed with sealing wax, but in the presence of a seal.

The attention of bondholders is necessity of carefully sealing under the cover of the tin, and not to put the coin or against with them. The

the latter presentation leaves a doubt as to the contents of the box even though the contents of the box were not opened. It is not clear whether the box was sealed by the Chinese authorities or whether it was sealed by the British authorities for the sake of the Postage.

**MONEY LETTERS.**  
Public attention is called to the extract from the Hongkong Post of the 11th inst. to the effect that—  
"The Post Office declines all aid for unregistered letters containing gold and, where Registration has taken place, the Post Office declines to receive any letters into its custody."  
BANKERS' AND PATENT AGENTS' LIST.—Private in U.S.M. News and Communications Officers' Report. (Schoolmaster's not Superintendent.) (Class) Writers or Schoolmaster's half-price letters to the United States and the value of the letters which may be applied either in

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Dr. Edgar A. de C. Pereira



